CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: VID-20161227-WA0084

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 2000108.052

Medium: Video File

Maker: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: English

Applicant: The District Court at Auckland

Classification: Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 22 April 2020

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: No notice of decision has been issued

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	VID-20161227-WA0084	0:14
Total running time:		0:14

Summary of reasons for decision:

The video file explicitly depicts a young teenage girl displaying her genitals to the camera in a sexually inviting manner. It is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The video presents young persons as sexually aware and as appropriate subjects for adult sexual attention. It is clearly intended to be sexually arousing to people with a prurient interest in girls. The video encourages and legitimises such an interest. As a video file it can be shared widely among like-minded individuals, further exploiting the girl. The video may also be used for grooming other children for sexual exploitation. This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as affirmed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, however it is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications that promote and support the sexual

exploitation of children and young persons are deemed objectionable. The classification also reflects the concern of New Zealand society to protect its young and vulnerable members from exploitation.